

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Paragraph beginning on Page 4, line 29, as follows:

A gastric balloon 10 according to the present invention is shown in FIGS. 1-6. The gastric balloon 10 includes a shell 12, a retractable tubing 16, and a receiver 14 for housing the retractable tubing 16. In one embodiment of the present invention, the retractable tubing 16 has a memory that returns it to the receiver 18 after being withdrawn from the receiver 14 to an extended position for adding or removing fluid from the gastric balloon 10.

Please amend the Paragraph beginning on Page 6, line 1, as follows:

Once a sufficient volume of liquid is added or removed from the gastric balloon, the retractable tubing 16 can be released. Upon release, the retractable tubing 16 will return from its extended position to its stowed position inside or on the gastric balloon 10 in receiver 14, which remains in the stomach of the patient.